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## Second Annual Shocks, Cops and Kids Program slated for Sept. 17

Looking for a creative way to teach your children about Internet and personal safety, along with the importance of staying healthy and fit? If so, there's still time to enroll your child in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Shocks, Cops and Kids Program.

The program is open to current 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders, and is free, but space is limited so it's important to register early. The program will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> at the Wichita State University Koch Arena. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided, along with a free T-shirt.

## The activities will include:

Basketball (with members of both the WSU men's and women's basketball teams and staff)

· Track

· Volleyball

Health and fitness

Internet safety

Software piracy

· Personal safety

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The children will be divided into groups and will rotate throughout the day to the different activities. The participants will be chaperoned by volunteers from the Wichita Police Department and Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office so parents are not required to attend. The day will finish with a field day competition.

Space is limited for this free program, so register your child early. To obtain an application, parents may contact:

Detective Jennifer Wright
Exploited and Missing Child Unit
Kansas Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force
316-337-6364 / jdwright@sedgwick.gov

Detective Tom Prunier
Exploited and Missing Child Unit
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Randy Wells Big Brothers Big Sisters 219 N. St. Francis 263-3300 or 290-8844

This program is sponsored by the Wichita Police Department, Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office, Big Brothers and Big Sisters and Wichita State University. Detective Wright and Detective Prunier, members of the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, developed this program to educate young boys and girls in the effective use of the Internet and the dangers involved, along with personal safety with an emphasis on health and fitness.

"We wanted to create a program that incorporates a variety of events and educational classes that keep the children's attention and allows them to learn and have fun at the same time," said Detective Wright. "We believe that we have been very successful with this program and are excited to be doing it for a second year."